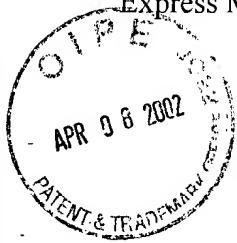


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period that was set for responding to the Office Action dated November 7, 2001 be extended for two months until April 7, 2002.

Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 authorizing payment of \$400.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

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